



Safeguarding California: Preparing for Climate Risks
an update to the 2009 California Climate Adaptation Strategy
Request for Input

The California Natural Resources Agency invites you to participate in public meetings being held around the state to discuss preparing for climate risks and the proposed update to the 2009 California Climate Adaptation Strategy. These meetings are public forums intended to provide opportunities for input into updating the state's plan for preparing for climate risks. The meetings are open to the public and full participation by all parties is encouraged.

Background Information:

The California Natural Resources Agency is hosting a series of public meetings around the state to discuss preparing for climate risks and the new Safeguarding California Plan. California is taking aggressive and bold action to reduce GHG emissions but no matter how quickly we reduce our climate polluting emissions, climate impacts will still occur. Many impacts – increased fires, floods, severe storms and heat waves – are already occurring and will only become more frequent and more dangerous. But there are many things we can do to protect against climate risks. Taking steps now to adapt to climate change will protect public health and safety, our economy and our future.

In 2009, the state released one of the first multi-sector climate adaptation strategies in the country. Since then, our understanding of climate risks has evolved and our strategies for responding to these risks have also evolved - making it an ideal time to update and supplement the 2009 approach and continue to build a collective vision for preparing for climate risks. The California Natural Resources Agency in coordination with other state agencies will be drafting the new Safeguarding California Plan. This update will build upon previously identified strategies in light of advances in climate science and risk management strategies. The California Natural Resources Agency is planning on releasing a draft version of the Safeguarding California Plan for public review and comment by the end of 2013.

Input Sought:

As part of the process for creating the Safeguarding California plan, the California Natural Resources Agency seeks public input on key topics, strategies or perspectives that stakeholders feel should be addressed in the update.

How to Provide Input

Suggestions may be submitted in person at the public meetings or electronically to safeguarding@resources.ca.gov.

While electronic submission is preferred, suggestions may also be mailed or hand delivered to:

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Please submit all suggestions by November 1, 2013

For more information: http://resources.ca.gov/climate_adaptation/